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ELECTION

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 23, 2004, having
a one-month period of response ending October 23, 2004, Applicants wish to enter the
following election:

Applicants provisionally elect the break-away exterior sideview mirror
assembly species.

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REMARKS

The Examiner requires election between three species, namely a fixedly attached exterior side view mirror assembly; a break-away exterior side view mirror assembly; and a power-folded exterior side view mirror assembly. As noted above, Applicants provisionally elect the break-away exterior side view mirror assembly for prosecution on the merits. The claims readable on the elected species include Claims 60-82 and 84 and 86-117. Furthermore, Applicants respectfully note that at least Claims 60-82 and 86-117 are generic to all the species. An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

Applicants respectfully advise the Examiner that an Information Disclosure Statement was submitted with the application when originally filed on April 2, 2004.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (616) 975-5506.

Respectfully submitted,

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